

Manual on Trade Sanctions at Importation and Exportation

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1. Introduction

The Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment (DETE) is the competent authority in Ireland with responsibility for implementing the various measures that have been adopted concerning trade sanctions.

The implementation of trade sanctions can result in some goods being prohibited for exportation to or importation from certain countries. However, in some cases the export or import of goods is restricted and a licence or authorisation will facilitate the movement of those goods. DETE is the authority with responsibility for issuing such licences and authorisations.

Revenue's Customs Service assists DETE in the control of imports and exports and refers consignments of interest to DETE before clearance.

2. Legislation

The list of countries and relevant legislative references in respect of Trade Sanctions are at the following link:

<https://www.sanctionsmap.eu>

3. Action to be taken at ports and airports

Profiles have been applied in the Automated Import System (AIS) on behalf of DETE. Where these profiles are activated, staff should note the accompanying profile instruction and refer details of the consignment to Prohibitions and Restrictions (P&R) Unit. The consignment should be detained pending further instruction from P&R Unit.

In any other circumstances, where it is suspected that goods are being exported or imported in contravention of trade sanctions legislation, the consignment should be detained, and staff should contact P&R Unit.

If staff require verification of licence details declared in Data Element 2/3 of the Import Declaration, they should request a hard copy of the licence be presented for inspection. Where concerns exist, the consignment should be detained, and staff should contact P&R Unit.

4. Risk Information Form

The Risk Information Form, which is part of the Customs Risk Management System, should be used by staff to inform other EU Customs authorities of any irregularities which have come to light in respect of the import or export of goods in contravention of trade sanctions legislation.

For further information staff should contact:

Risk Management Unit

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5. Contact Information

All further queries should be directed to:

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